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From the: INTERNATIONAL SEARCHING AUTHORITY To: **PCT** LESICAR PERRIN 49 Wright Street WRITTEN OPINION OF THE ADELAIDE SA 5000 INTERNATIONAL SEARCHING AUTHORITY (PCT Rule 43bis.1) Date of mailing 29 APR 2004 (day/month/year) Applicant's or agent's file reference FOR FURTHER ACTION See paragraph 2 below 11875PCT International application No. International filing date (day/month/year) Priority date (day/month/year) PCT/AU2004/000376 26 March 2004 28 March 2003 International Patent Classification (IPC) or both national classification and IPC Int. Cl. 7 B23B 51/04 B27G 15/00 B27B 5/12, 33/18 Applicant KEIGHTLEY, Kym John This opinion contains indications relating to the following items: Box No. I Basis of the opinion Box No. II **Priority** Box No. III Non-establishment of opinion with regard to novelty, inventive step and industrial applicability Box No. IV Lack of unity of invention Reasoned statement under Rule 43bis.1(a)(i) with regard to novelty, inventive step or industrial applicability; Box No. V citations and explanations supporting such statement Box No. VI Certain documents cited Box No. VII Certain defects in the international application Certain observations on the international application Box No. VIII 2. FURTHER ACTION If a demand for international preliminary examination is made, this opinion will be considered to be a written opinion of the International Preliminary Examining Authority ("IPEA") except that this does not apply where the applicant chooses an Authority other than this one to be the IPEA and the chosen IPEA has notified the International Bureau under Rule 66.1bis(b) that written opinions of this International Searching Authority will not be so considered. If this opinion is, as provided above, considered to be a written opinion of the IPEA, the applicant is invited to submit to the IPEA a written reply together, where appropriate, with amendments, before the expiration of 3 months from the date of mailing of Form PCT/ISA/220 or before the expiration of 22 months from the priority date, whichever expires later. For further options, see Form PCT/ISA/220. 3. For further details, see notes to Form PCT/ISA/220. Name and mailing address of the IPEA/AU **Authorized Officer AUSTRALIAN PATENT OFFICE** PO BOX 200, WODEN ACT 2606, AUSTRALIA SARAVANAMUTHU PONNAMPALAM E-mail address: pct@ipaustralia.gov.au Telephone No. (02) 6283 2070 Facsimile No. (02) 6285 3929